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In re the application of:

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REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF DRAWING CORRECTIONS

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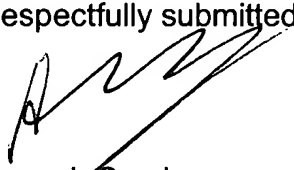
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Dear Sir:

The Examiner's approval of the drawing corrections to Figs. 10-13 shown in red ink on the attached copy, is respectfully requested. In particular, --Prior Art-- labels have been added to Figures 10-13.

Should any fees be due with respect to this paper, please charge counsel's Deposit Account No. 01-2300 referencing number 1007336-00025.

Respectfully submitted,


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Reason

The invention(s) in the claim(s) listed below of the subject application should not be granted a patent under the provision of Patent Law Section 29(2) since it could have easily been made by persons who have common knowledge in the technical field to which the invention(s) pertains, on the basis of the invention(s) described in the publication(s) listed below which was distributed in Japan or foreign countries prior to the filing of the subject application.

Note (The list of cited documents etc. is shown below.)

Claim 1-6

Cited references 1 and 2 listed below respectively disclose a solar cell module comprising a film of the same kind as the present invention.

The list of cited documents etc.

1. JP, 211932/1995, A
2. JP, 195804/1999, A

Record of the result of prior art search

- Technical field(s) to be searched Int. Cl(7) H01L31/04-31/078
- Prior art document(s)

The record is not a component(s) of the reason(s) for refusal.

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